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COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Examiner Interview Summary

Mr. Hunter and Ms. Leung thanks Examiner Divecha for his courtesy and professionalism in conducting a telephonic interview on September 29, 2011. The substance of the interview included a discussion of the term "final" in claims 1 and 16, and a discussion of a previous 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, rejection regarding the use of the term "final" in claims 1 and 16. No agreement was reached during the interview.

Comments on Reasons for Allowance

It is recognized that in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 1302.14, the Examiner's reasons for allowance need not set forth all of the details as to why the claims are allowed. In the abovereferenced application, it is not conceded that the Examiner's stated reasons for allowance are the only reasons for which the claims are allowable. The Examiner's reasons for allowance indicate that particular claim elements are not disclosed or suggested by the prior art of record, yet the claims may be patentable for other reasons as well, including the inventive combination of all of the recited claim elements. It is not conceded that the specific limitations identified by the Examiner are necessary to distinguish the art of record or to satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112. Moreover, the Examiner does not assert, and it would not be conceded, that the Examiner's reasons have any bearing on the patentability of claims in any other applications directed to the disclosed subject matter.

In addition, each dependent claim stands on its own and may be allowable on its own merits. In particular, each dependent claim may be allowable on the basis of a combination of Applicant: R. Perelman, et al.

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some of the features recited in the dependent claim and its base claim(s), which combination of features may not include all of the limitations identified in the Examiner's reasons for allowance.

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Respectfully submitted,

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